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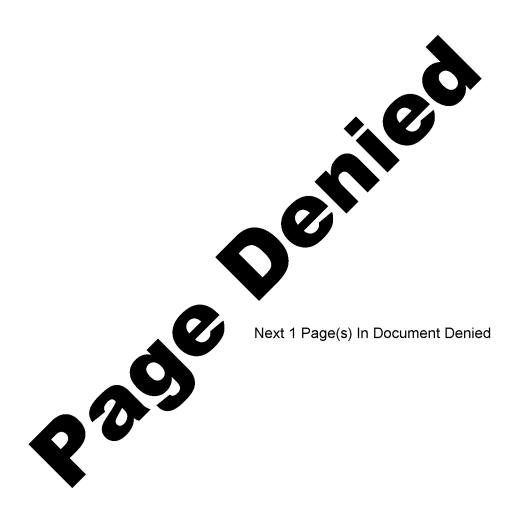
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- 1. (S/D) SIGNIFICANCE: ACTIVITY AT SITAL CHAY AIRFIELD MAY INDICATE THAT A SECOND SQUADRON OF FROGFOOT A WILL SUPPORT SOVIET OPERATIONS IN AFGHANISTAN OR BECOME THE FIRST OPERATIONALLY DEPLOYED UNIT IN THE SOVIET UNION.
- 2. (S/D) REMARKS: NINE FROGFOOT A LIGHT ATTACK AIRCRAFT HAVE BEEN DEPLOYED TO SITAL CHAY AIRFIELD. THIS IS THE SECOND DEPLOYMENT OF FROGFOOT TO THIS FLIGHT TRAINING FACILITY AND ONLY THE SECOND DEPLOYMENT OF MAJOR ELEMENTS OF A FROGFOOT A SQUADRON TO THE AIRCRAFT ARE PARKED ON THE AN OPERATIONAL AIRFIELD. PARALLEL TAXIWAY WITH NUMEROUS MUNITIONS/SUPPLY CONTAINERS THE FIRST DEPLOYMENT WAS OBSERVED ON AND 25X1 SUBSEQUENTLY DEPARTED ON FOR OPERATIONAL 25X1 DEPLOYMENT TO SHINDAND AIRFIELD, AFGHANISTAN 25X1 IN ADDITION, FOUR FITTER ARE DEPLOYED WITH THE FROGFOOT A AND PROBABLY SERVE AS A FIGHTER ESCORT. SIX FITTER WERE ALSO OBSERVED WITH THE INITIAL DEPLOYMENT OF FROGFOOT A IN APRIL 1981.

(S/D) SITAL CHAY AIRFIELD, APPROXIMATELY 34 NM NORTHWEST OF BAKU AND 700 NM EAST-SOUTHEAST OF THE AFGHANISTAN BORDER, IS A SOVIET AVIATION TRAINING BASE IN THE TRANSCAUCASUS MILITARY DISTRICT.

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